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INDOCHINA SITUATION REPORT NO 2

PRIMO

SITUATION DISPLACED CIVILIAN POPULATION CAMBODIA AND SOUTH VIETNAM CONTINUES CAUSE GRAVE ANXIETY. IN RESPONSE JOINT ICRC/LEAGUE APPEALS 25 MARCH AND 3 APRIL 23 NATIONAL SOCIETIES AND GOVERNMENTS HAVE TODATE ANNOUNCED GIFTS VALUED OVER SW.FR. 21.2 MILLION AND SUBSTANTIAL SHIPMENTS BY AIR AND SEA.

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REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SAIGON)

ALPHA : EXTENSIVE PROGRAMME RED CROSS SOCIETY REPUBLIC VIETNAM, MADE POSSIBLE BY FUNDS AND SUPPLIES DONATED, ASSISTING MEETING NEEDS HUNDREDS THOUSANDS DISPLACED PERSONS WITH DOZENS TRUCKLOADS FOOD AND OTHER RELIEF SUPPLIES BEING
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SENT DAILY TO DISTRIBUTION POINTS.

BRAVO : EVALUATION TEAM COMPRISING MR. SVERRE KILDE DELEGATE AND MR. DOMINIQUE GROSS CENTRAL TRACING AGENCY DELEGATE ARE NOW SAIGON AND HAVE JOINED ICRC CHIEF DELEGATE PIERRE GUBERAN AND DELEGATES WEBER, DR. BURRI AND DR. LAFAY AND LEAGUE LIAISON OFFICER DIMITRI SEVERI TO ASSIST SOCIETY IN MAKING NEW EVALUATION CONDITIONS AND DEVELOP REVISED PLAN AND BUDGET.

CHARLIE : RED CROSS PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER TO HELP MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH INTERNATIONAL PRESS AND RADIO OPERATOR WITH NECESSARY EQUIPMENT SENT SAIGON.

DELTA : TO FACILITATE TRANSPORTATION RED CROSS SUPPLIES HAVE CHARTERED DC-4 CORVAIR 8 TON CAPACITY TO AIRLIFT RELIEF TO DISPLACED PERSONS ISLAND PHU QUOC AND OTHER POINTS . ARRANGEMENTS UNDERWAY TO CHARTER 50 TON VESSEL FOR LOCAL SHIPMENTS. BOTH WILL WORK UNDER RED CROSS FLAG.

ECHO : INFORMATION TEAM - JOURNALIST AND PHOTOGRAPHER - ARE FOLLOWING CLOSELY RED CROSS ACTIVITIES AND SENDING BACK ALMOST DAILY REPORTS ACCOMPANIED BY PHOTOGRAPHS. MATERIAL DISTRIBUTED TO DONORS BUT ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS AVAILABLE ON DEMAND.

FOXTROT /: IN ADDITION TO NEEDS MENTIONED PREVIOUS REPORT - FUNDS FOR LOCAL PURCHASE RICE, SAUMURE (FISH SAUCE), KITCHEN UTENSILS, MATS AND CLOTH PLUS GIFTS FROM ABROAD CANNED CONDENSED MILK AND MILK POWDER, CANNED FISH AND MEAT, MEDICAMENTS AND TENTS FOR TEMPORARY SHELTER - EVALUATION TEAM REPORT IMMEDIATE NEED 5,000 TENTS AND 100,000 METRES PLASTIC SHEETING FOR SHELTER. MONSOON RAINS SHOULD COMMENCE NEXT MONTH AND MANY DISPLACED PERSONS HAVE NO SHELTER YET. AS EVALUATION CONTINUES MORE NEEDS ARE EXPECTED TO BE REPORTED.

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GOLF :IN PRESENT FLUID SITUATION THERE ARE CERTAIN
SECURITY RISK FOR PERSONNEL BUT AS THERE ARE UNDOUBTEDLY MEDICAL
NEEDS AMONG DISPLACED PERSONS STEPS BEING TAKEN SEND IMMEDIATELY
SOME ADDITIONAL FRENCH-SPEAKING DOCTORS AND NURSES, MADE
AVAILABLE BY NATIONAL SOCIETIES, WHO ARE ABLE TO WORK
INDEPENDENTLY WITH LOCAL STAFF. CONSIGNMENT MEDICAMENTS
PROVIDED.

TERTIO

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH VIETNAM (PRG)

ALPHA : IN RESPONSE REQUEST RED CROSS AND AUTHORITIES
PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAM FOR CANNED
MEAT AND FISH AND EDIBLE OIL - IN ADDITION TO FUNDS FOR LOCAL
PURCHASES - FIRST CONSIGNMENT DESPATCHED TO HANOI ON PLANE
CHARTERED THROUGH GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC RED CROSS AND
GOVERNMENT OF GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC. NATIONAL SOCIETY
PROVIDED MEDICAMENTS AND ICRC/LEAGUE ARRANGED PROVISION
12 TONS FOOD FINANCED BY FUNDS CONTRIBUTED TO APPEAL. OTHER
SUPPLIES ARE EN ROUTE BY AIR AND SEA INCLUDING 50
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TONS CANNED FISH PURCHASED THROUGH JAPANESE RED CROSS WITH
CONTRIBUTED FUNDS AND WHICH WILL BE SHIPPED TO HAIPHONG.
FURTHER SHIPMENTS OF FOOD URGENTLY REQUIRED AND NATIONAL
SOCIETIES WHICH CAN ASSIST ARE REQUESTED CONTACT INDOCHINA
BUREAU.

BRAVO / IT IS HOPED PROVIDE SHORTLY LIST OF FURTHER NEEDS
CIVILIAN POPULATION REPUBLIC OF SOUTH VIETNAM (PRG).

QUARTO

CAMBODIA

WORK OF RED CROSS MEDICAL TEAMS IN BESIEGED CITY PHNOM PENH
CONTINUES. AS MEDICAL CARE AND SPECIAL FEEDING OF YOUNG
CHILDREN IS PROVIDED TO EVER INCREASING NUMBER DISPLACED PERSONS.
SINCE EVACUATING SOME INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS MEDICAL PERSONNEL
IT HAS BEEN FOUND POSSIBLE TO RESTRUCTURE PROGRAMME IN ORDER
MAINTAIN ASSISTANCE.

QUINTO

GENERAL

ALPHA : TO FURTHER FACILITATE COMMUNICATIONS IN REGION, DC-6
CHARTERED BY INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS AND FINANCED WITH HELP

SWISS CONFEDERATION WILL FIRST BE PLACED IN VIENTIANE COMING DAYS TO SPEED UP MOVEMENT SUPPLIES AND PROVIDE FASTER WAYS MEETING URGENT REQUESTS.

BRAVO : HAVE CHARTERED 700 TON VESSEL TO MOVE SUPPLIES FROM PORTS SUCH AS SINGAPORE BANGKOK HONGKONG ETC TO SOUTH VIETNAM DISTRIBUTION POINTS. THESE TWO UNITS WILL ALSO WORK UNDER RED CROSS FLAG.

CHARLIE : INFORMATION MEETING WILL BE HELD IN GENEVA WEDNESDAY MORNING 16 APRIL WHEN NATIONAL SOCIETIES WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY OBTAINING UPTODATE INFORMATION, INCLUDING IT IS HOPED PLANS AND BUDGET, AND OF CLARIFYING ANY QUESTIONS.

DELTA : THE GENEROUS RESPONSE TO JOINT APPEAL IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED AND CONTINUED SUPPORT OF NATIONAL RED CROSS SOCIETIES AND GOVERNMENTS IS SOLICITED. FUNDS SHOULD BE REMITTED THROUGH JOINT ICRC/LEAGUE INDOCHINA ACCOUNT SWISS BANK CORPORATION GENEVA NO 192381.

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